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1. Prior to 27 January 1951, a PS battalion commanded by Lieutenant Trojacek, (fnu), was stationed in the former finance administration building in Cheb (N 51/P 37) and was subordinate to the PS brigade headquarters in the former cloister about 500 meters south-southwest of the town. The brigade headquarters and about 800 soldiers were transferred from As (M 51/P 18) to Cheb on 23 October 1950, when Utvar No 5222, previously used in As, was superseded by Utvar No 8100. Major Okrouhlik, (fnu), was the commanding officer of the brigade. *
2. The battalion in Cheb was organized into four companies stationed in Mytina (Albenreuth - N 51/P 36), Kozly (Gosel - N 51/P 36), Stary Hroznatov (Alt Kinsberg - N 51/P 36) and Slapany (N 51/P 36). Each company averaged about 40 soldiers, most of whom were Slovaks. The morale of the personnel was low because of the strenuous routine and low pay.
3. The PS company in Stary Hroznatov was located in three buildings next to the castle. It was assigned a border sector, about 4 km wide, which was controlled at all times by three patrols of two soldiers each who occasionally had trained dogs with them. Other patrols were assigned to guard duty on roads in the rear of the border zone.
4. PW companies of undetermined subordination were said to be located in Muehlbach (M 51/P 27), Liba (Liebenstein - M 51/P 27), Tri Sekery (Dreihacken - N 50/P 45) and Vojtanov (Voitersreuth - M 51/P 28).

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 * **Comment.** The information on the PS battalion in the former financial administration building confirms a [redacted]. The brigade headquarters probably originated from the 46th Inf Bn, Utvar No 5222, since Major Okrouhlik, (fnu), was the commanding officer of the 46th Inf Bn prior to October 1950.

1 Annex: Standard Manpower Questionnaire

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